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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 885

Introduced by Assembly Member Daucher

February 22, 2001

An act to add Section 46300.8 to the Education Code, relating to public schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 885, as amended, Daucher. Average daily attendance: internet classroom.

Existing law prescribes the method for computing average daily attendance of pupils under the direct supervision, as defined, of school district personnel for the purpose of determining school district apportionments.

This bill would, notwithstanding any provision of law, commencing July 1, 2002, for the purposes of an online classroom program conducted over the internet in a secondary school, include as "immediate supervision," pupil participation in the online curriculum provided by certificated school personnel until July 1, 2005. The bill would only apply to school districts in Orange County.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 46300.8 is added to the Education Code, to read:

46300.8. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law, for the purposes of an online classroom program conducted over the internet in a secondary school, “immediate supervision” includes pupil participation in the online curriculum provided by certificated school personnel employed by the school district ~~where the pupil is enrolled during the time the pupil and certificated school personnel are online simultaneously.~~

~~(b) where the pupil is enrolled. The certificated school district~~ personnel responsible for the program shall be online and accessible to the pupil on a daily basis for the purposes of responding to pupil queries, assigning tasks, and dispensing information. To the extent appropriate, the instructor shall be online simultaneously with the pupil.

(b) A pupil participating in an online program pursuant to this section shall not be credited with more than a total of one day of attendance per calendar day, nor more than a total of five days of attendance per calendar week.

(c) The total number of pupils participating in any given online classroom pursuant to this section shall not exceed the average class size for similar courses in the high schools of the school district maintaining the online classroom.

(d) This section shall only apply to school districts in Orange County.

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(e) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2002, shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and shall be repealed as of January 1, 2006, unless a later enacted statute changes the date upon which it becomes operative, inoperative, or is repealed.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that, due to the unique circumstances applicable to school districts in Orange County, a statute of general applicability cannot be enacted within the meaning of subdivision (b) of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.

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